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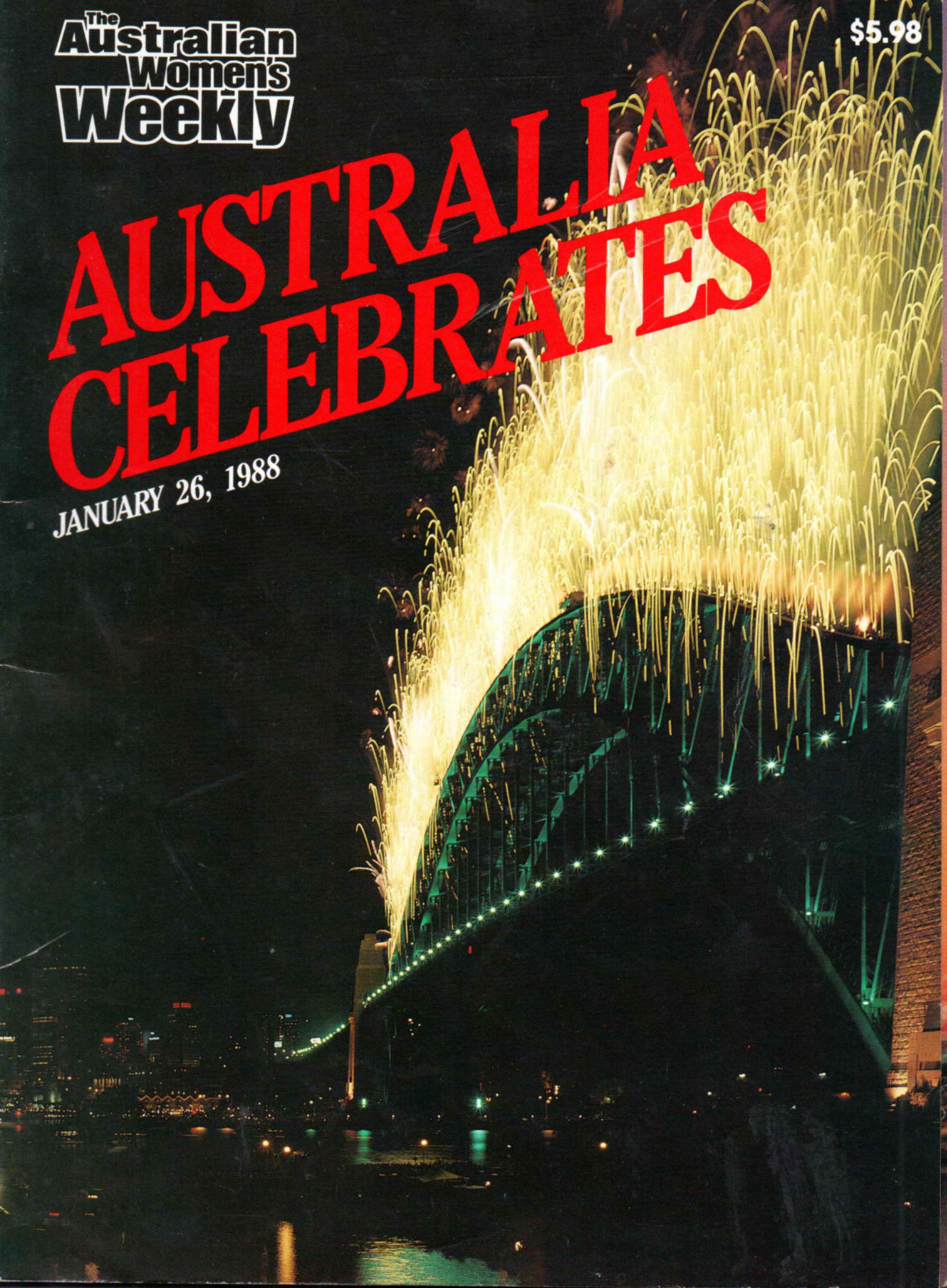

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It was a day to remember. In memory, comparable to Queen Elizabeth's first visit to Australia and the opening of the Melbourne Olympic Games. Celebrating two hundred years of modern Australia and, specifically, two hundred years since the establishment of Sydney as an outpost of Europe on "the finest harbour in the universe".

Queen Elizabeth's son, Prince Charles, observed "As history goes, two hundred years is barely a heartbeat" but it was sufficient excuse for the biggest party Sydney has ever thrown.

Two million people thonged the foreshores, specks of flag-waving, suncreamed and behatted humanity in a vast abstract mosaic.

On the harbour they took to the water in everything from ocean-going boozers to the smallest dinghies and skiffs.

And somewhere amidst all that good-humoured mayhem was the intrepid Australian Women's Weekly photographic team.

Click go the camera buttons!

We had thirteen staff photographers on duty that day and their efforts have here been supplemented by some other freelancers. They were on helicopters, on pylons, on boats, on light portable ladders, at Mrs Macquarie's Chair and amongst the madding crowd, in the heat fighting for the best vantage points and the best angles against the undertow of the people around.

When the battle was done they had taken over 3000 spectacular pictures, which our art team took four days to sort through and winnow down to the 137 images produced in this superb book.

The effort, I think you will agree, was worth it. Here is a brilliant memento of that glorious occasion, a permanent reminder, if we needed it, that while Australians come from many antecedents they are nonetheless united in their ability to enjoy a grand celebration, particularly when it falls on a bright summer's day.

RICHARD WALSH
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DATELINE: BOTANY BAY, JANUARY 18, 1988

After months at sea the 9 ships of the First Fleet re-enactment voyage sailed into Botany Bay as Governor Phillip had done 200 years before them. Gone were the convicts in chains and in their place were paying passengers and a cheering crowd of 100,000 to greet them.

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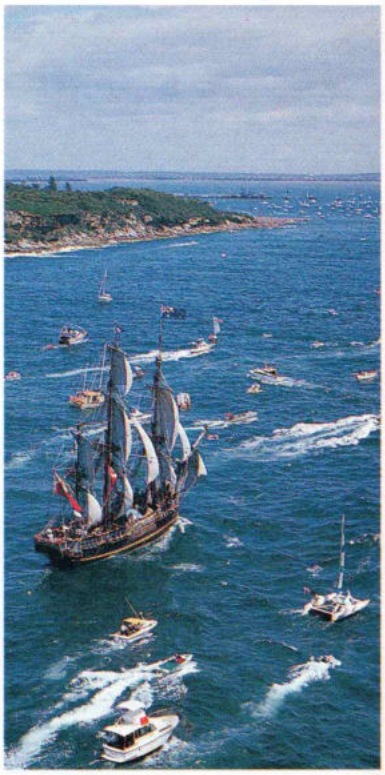

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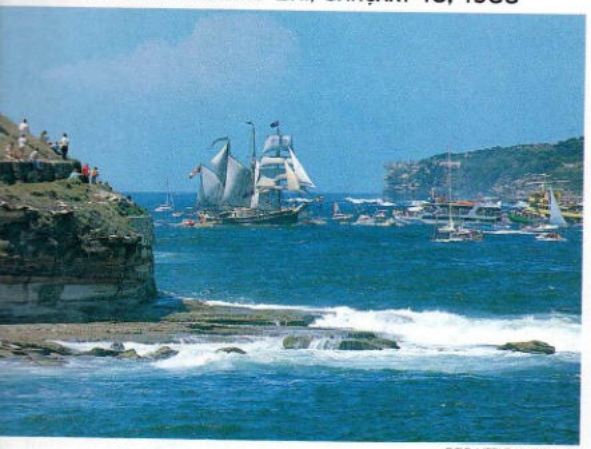

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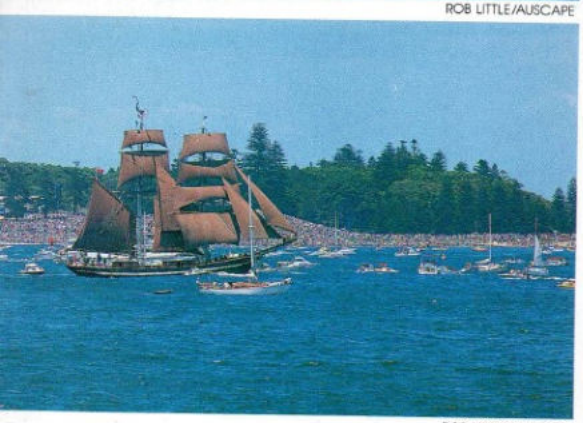

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DATELINE: DARLING HARBOUR,
JANUARY 25, 1988

Some 200 Tall Ships from Australia and 20 other countries sailed into Sydney Harbour. Tugs met the vessels and escorted them to Darling Harbour where they were besieged by crowds anxious to take a look.

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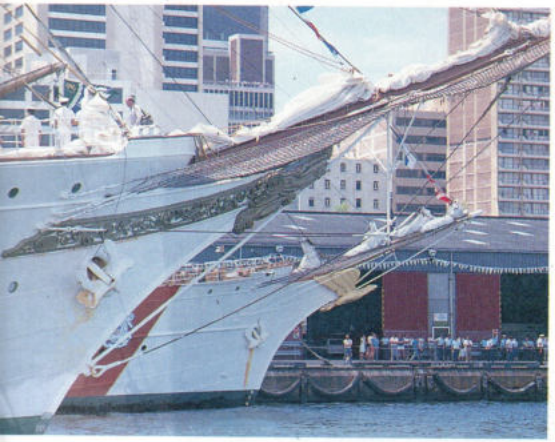

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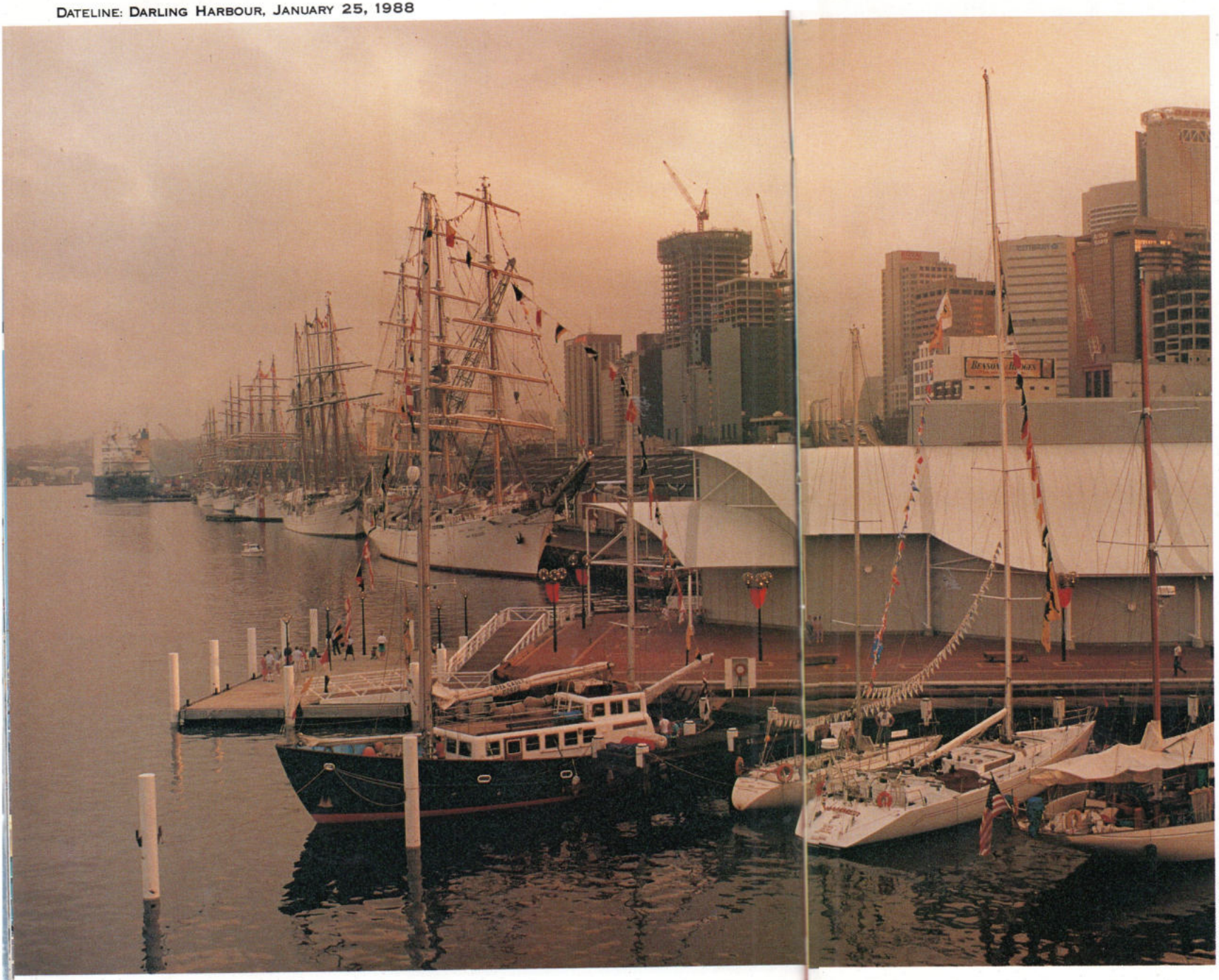

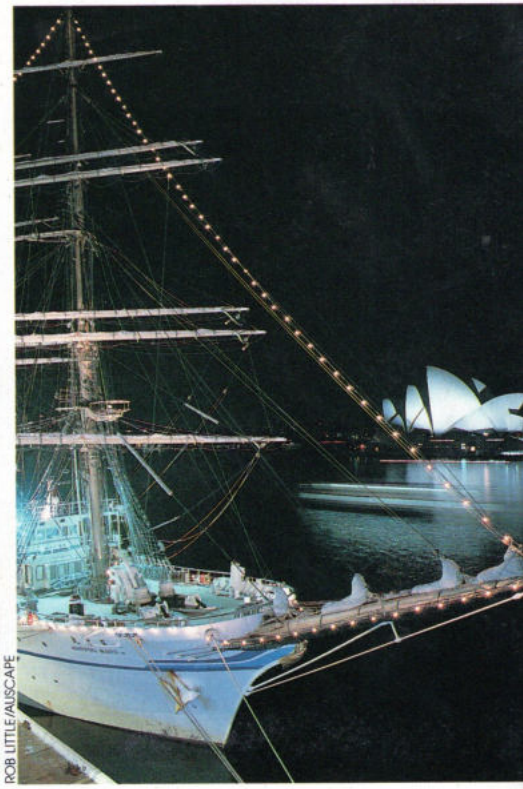

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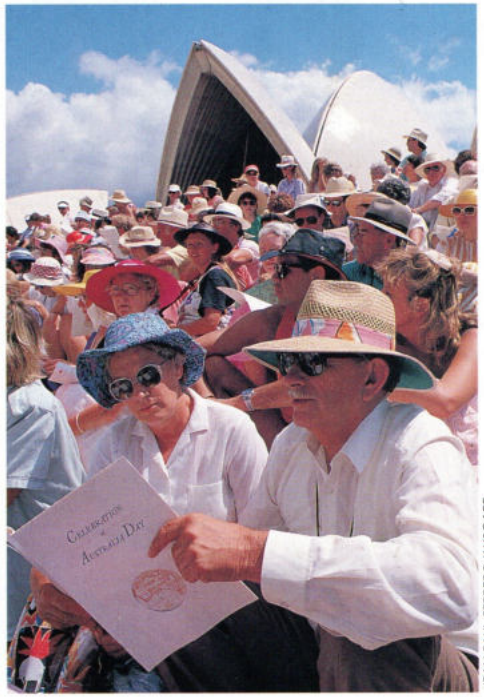
DATELINE: SYDNEY OPERA HOUSE, JANUARY 26, 1988

Official celebrations centred around the Opera House. Prince Charles and Princess Diana attended the "Celebration of a Nation" ceremony at 11am along with numerous other Australian dignitaries. Australian soprano Joan Carden led the singing accompanied by the Sydney Symphony Orchestra and the Philharmonic Choir. An abundance of uniformed servicemen and Royal Heritage Guards added to the spectacle.



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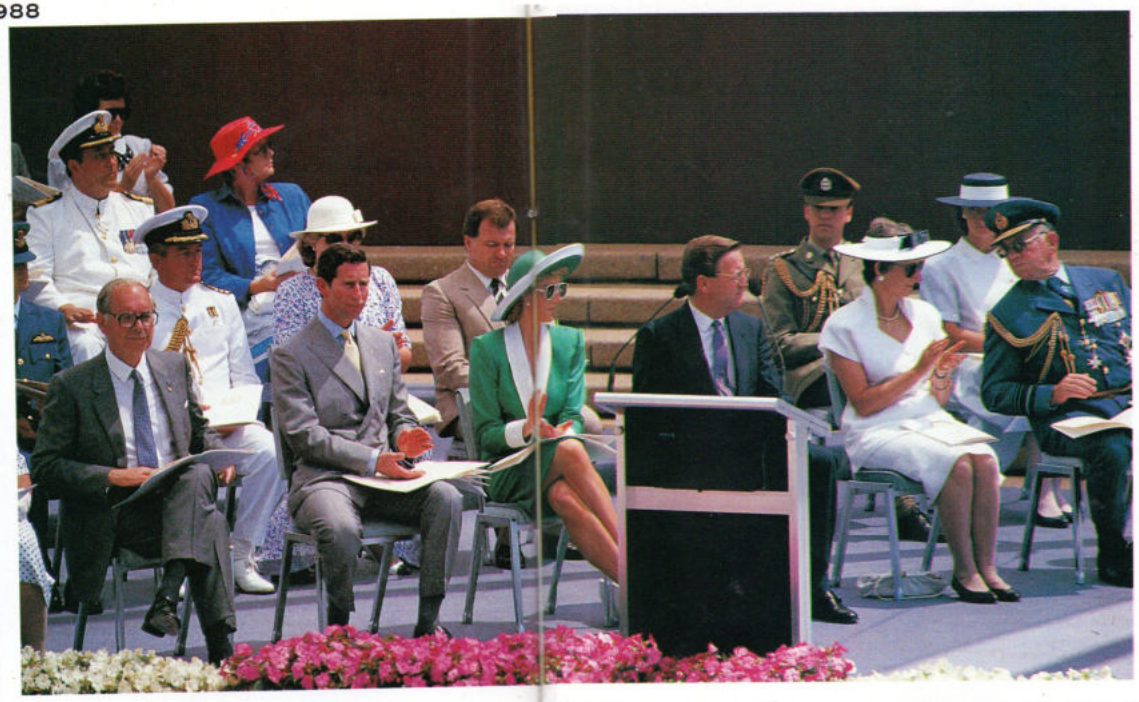

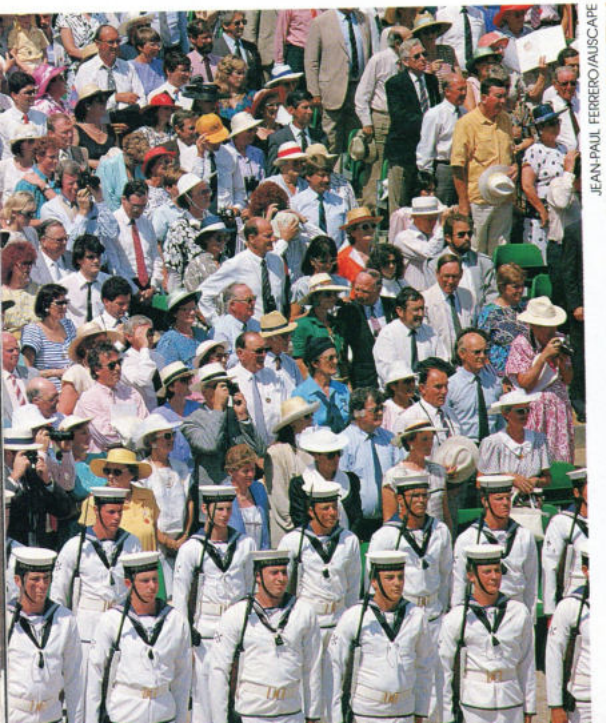

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DATELINE: SYDNEY HARBOUR,
JANUARY 26, 1988

More than 2 million people gathered around "the finest harbour in the universe" to salute the past and celebrate the present. Assembled on the water was a 10,000-strong armada of anything that could float adorned with flags, balloons and the glorious green and gold. The First Fleet re-enactment vessels entered Sydney Harbour mid-morning and anchored at Farm Cove. A spectacular Parade of Sail took place later.

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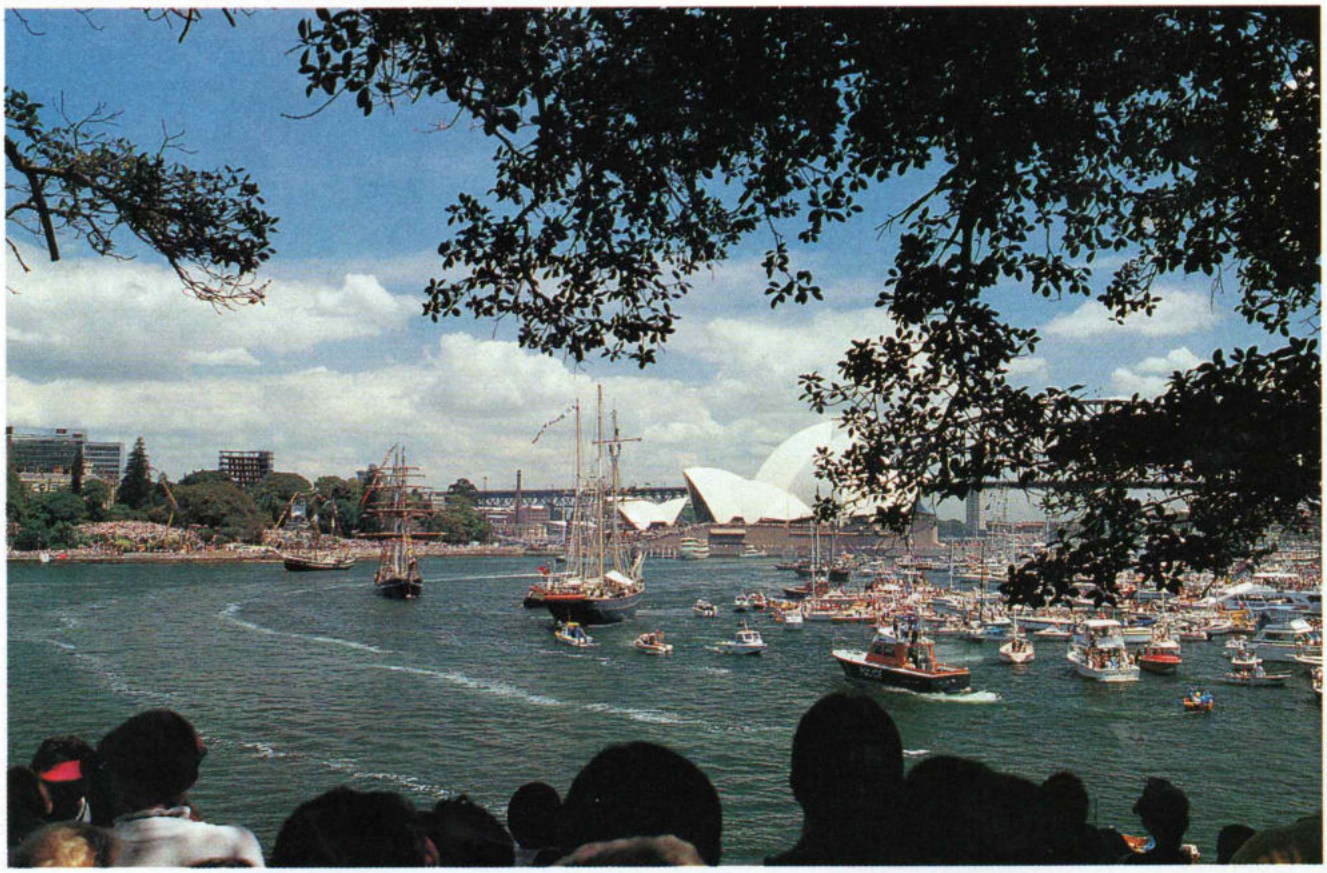

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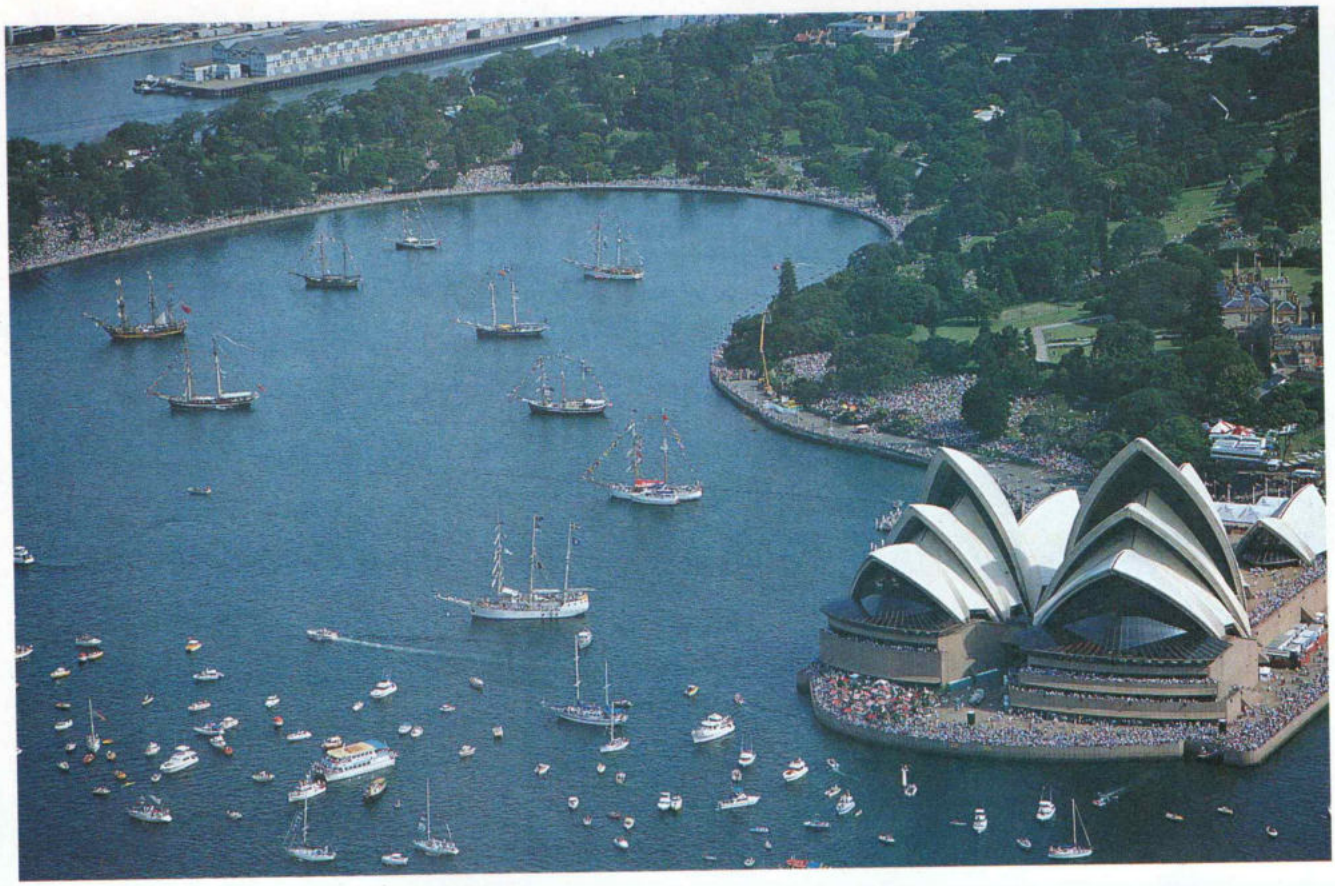

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FIRST FLEET RE-ENACTMENT VESSELS

Soren Larsen
Bounty
Eye of the Wind
One and All
Tradewind
Anna Kristina
Our Svanen
Amorina
R Tucker Thompson

TALL SHIPS

Abel Tasman — The Netherlands
Asgard II — Ireland
Capitan Miranda — Uruguay
Dar Mlodziezy — Poland
Eagle — United States of America
Esperance 88 — France
Galateia — Switzerland
Gorch Fock — West Germany
Guayuas — Ecuador
Jancris — Italy
Juan Sebastian de Elcano — Spain
Nippon Maru — Japan
Principat d'Andorra Trotamar III — Andorra
Shabab Oman — Oman
Spirit of New Zealand — New Zealand
Varuna — India
Young Endeavour — United Kingdom

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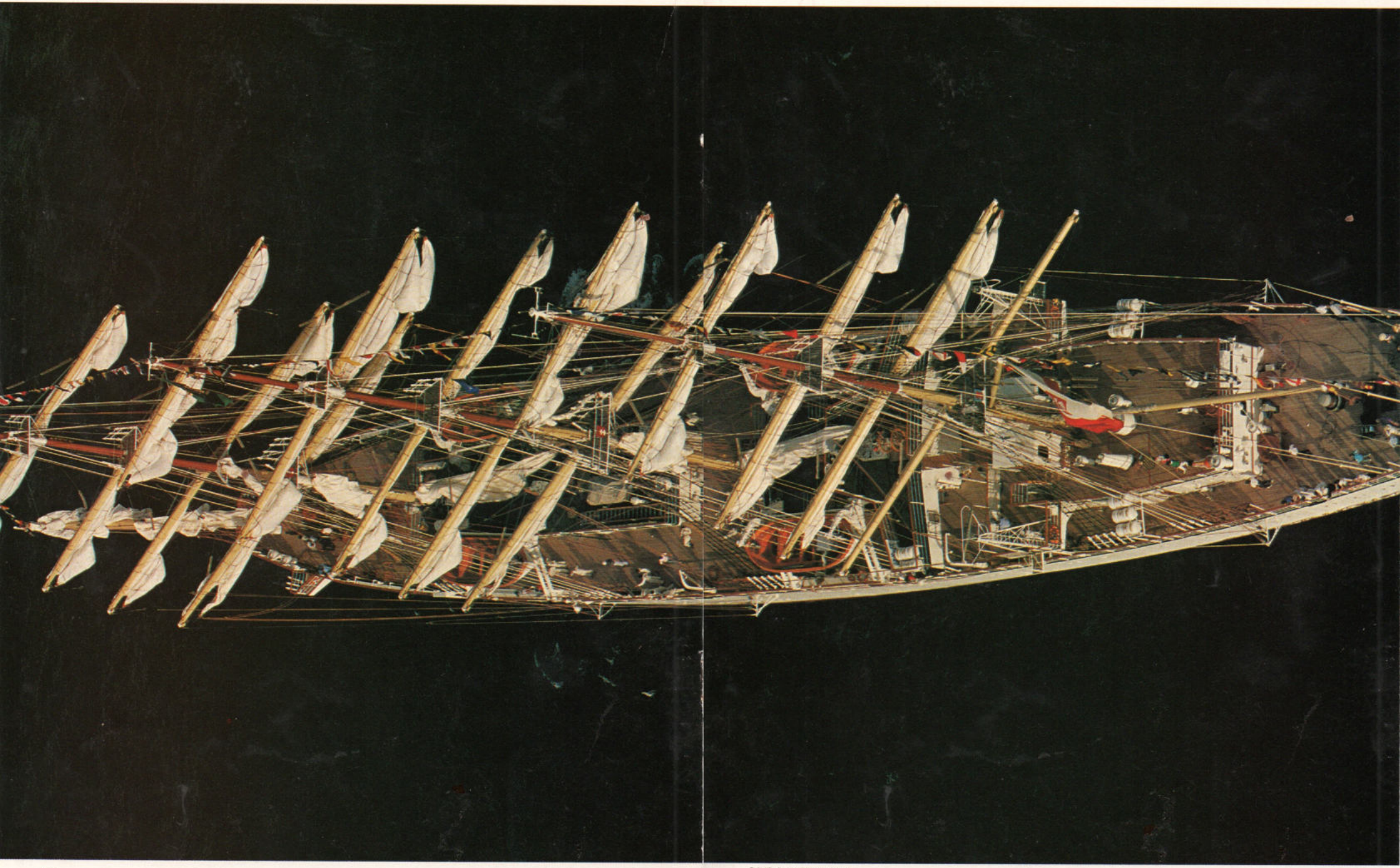

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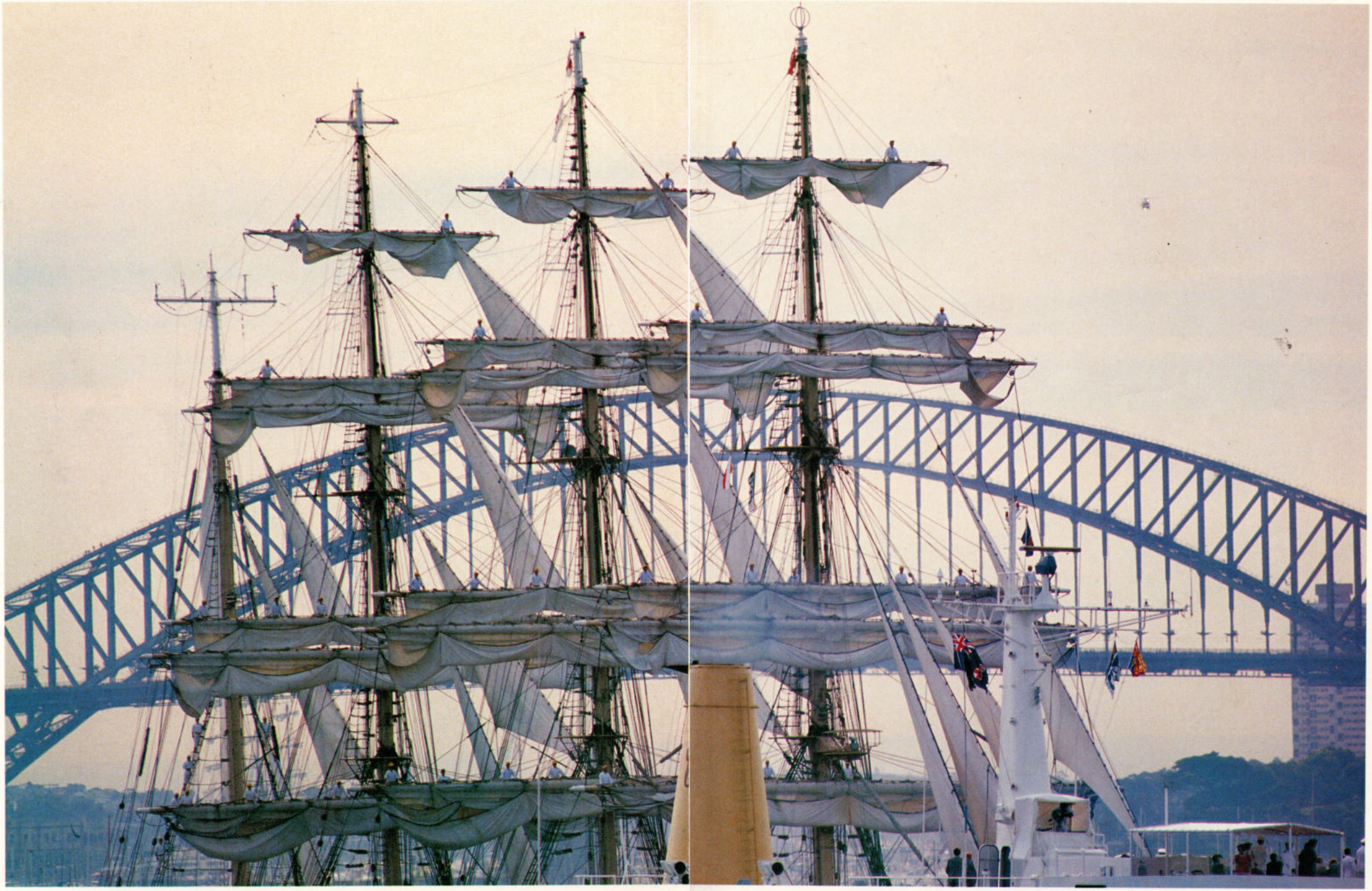

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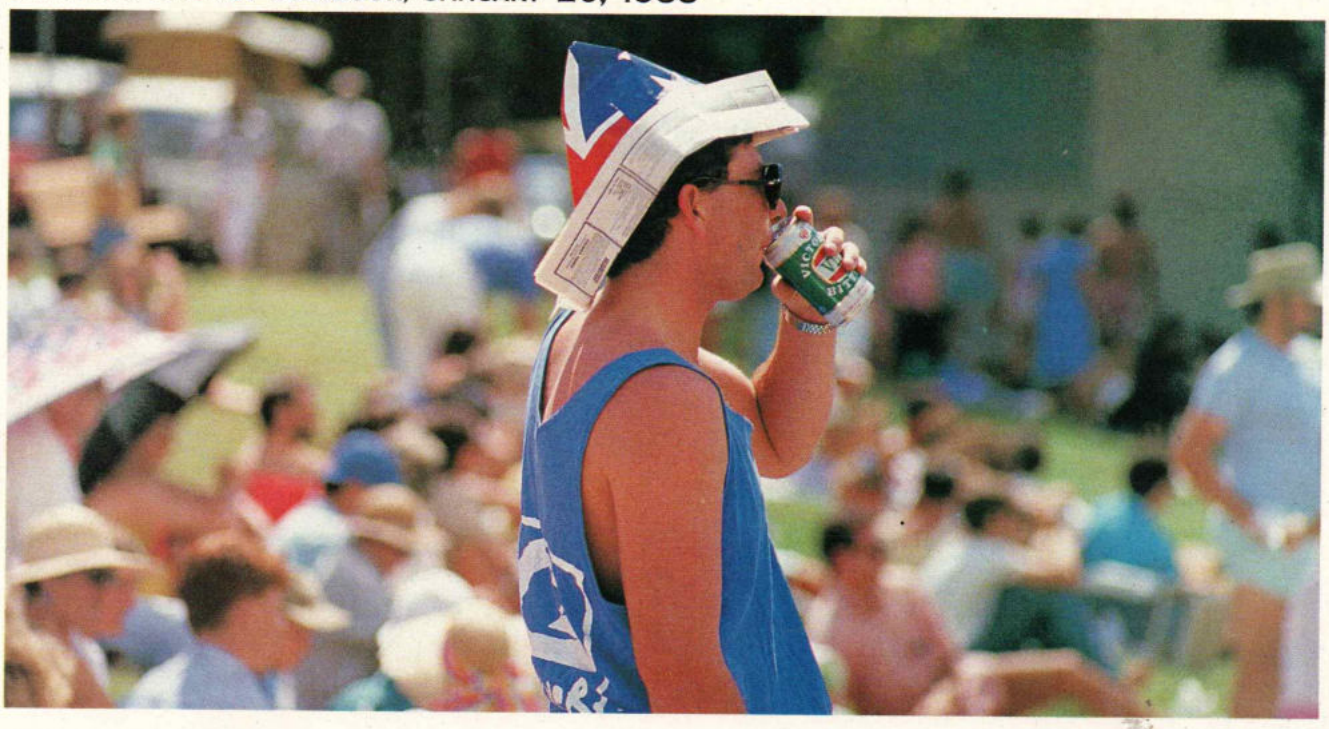

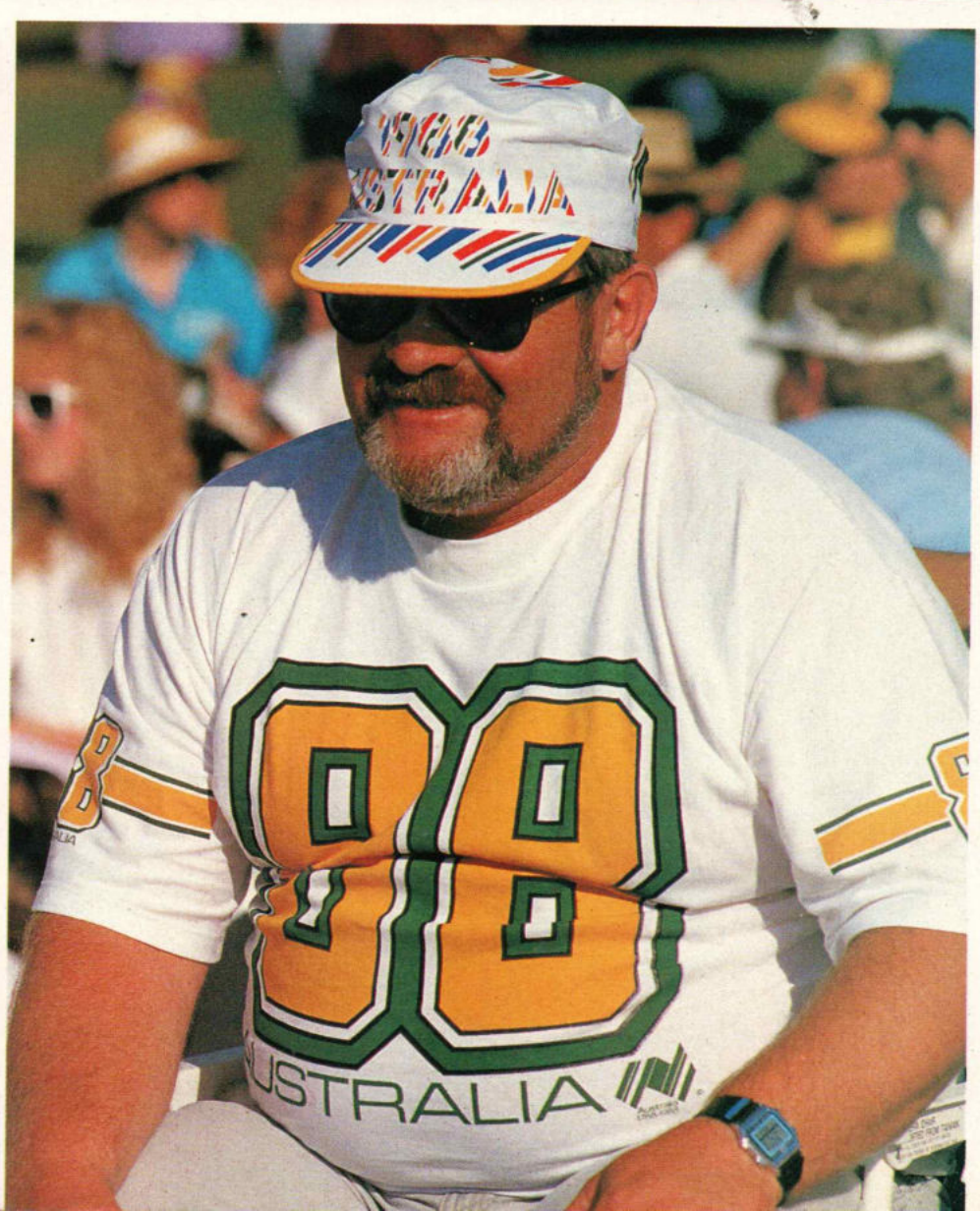

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DATELINE: ABORIGINAL PROTEST, JANUARY 26, 1988

As part of their protest against the Bicentenary, Aborigines established a tent embassy at Mrs Macquarie's Chair in Farm Cove on Sydney Harbour. Around 15,000 staged a peaceful march through the city on Australia Day which ended at the tent embassy where they waved banners and Aboriginal flags and chanted as the ships sailed past.

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DATELINE: FIREWORKS OVER SYDNEY, JANUARY 26, 1988

A 200 gun salute began the fireworks display which erupted over Sydney Harbour at 9pm. Three fireworks barges moored east and west of the Bridge ensured the display could be seen far and wide. The highlight came when the Bridge glowed with 200 candles set atop it.

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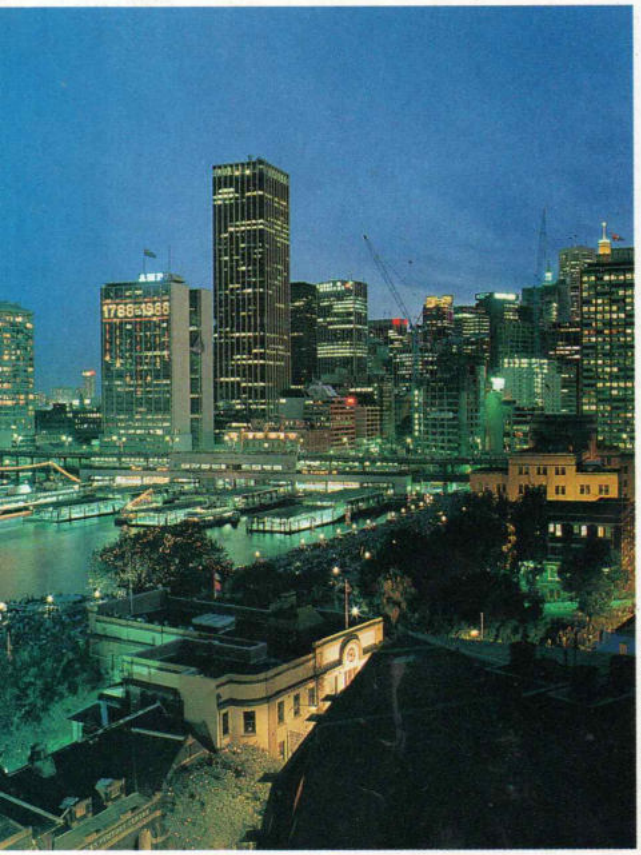

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